

State of New Hampshire

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

PITTSBURGH SCHOOL BOARD

Complainant

PITTSBURGH TEACHERS ASSOCIATION, NEA-NH

Respondent

CASE NOS. T-0353 & T-0354
DECISION NO. 84-20

APPEARANCES

Representing the Pittsburgh School Board:

Jay C. Boynton, Esq., Counsel Stephen E. Dehl, Superintendent Gordon L. Covill, Chairman-School Board

Representing the Pittsburgh Teachers Association, NEA-NII:

John Fessenden, UniServ Director, NEA-NH Thomas Fosher, Member of Negotiating Team

Also in attendance:

David G. Covill, Member of School Board Donald D. Pinci, President PTA Karen Hennig, Member PTA Negotiating Team

BACKGROUND

Unfair labor practice charges were filed November 16, 1983 by the Pittsburgh School Board through its attorney, Jay C. Boynton, alleging bad faith bargaining on the part of the Pittsburgh Teachers Association by refusing to recognize the agreement reached last Spring, and by requesting negotiations to begin reopening several issues already agreed to.

The Teachers Association denied the charges and counter-charged the School Board with intereferring with the rights of its employees and attempting to impose a settlement upon the teachers without prior agreement.

Hearing on the charges was held in the PELRB office on March 1, 1984 and written and oral testimony presented by all parties.

After hearing the testimony and arguments, PELRB concludes that there is a genuine misunderstanding between the parties and declines to find any unfair labor practices.

DECISION AND ORDER

The parties are HEREBY ORDERED to return to the table to negotiate any and all items.

ROBERT E. CRAIG, Chairman

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Signed this 1st day of March, 1984.

By unanimous agreement; Chairman Robert E. Craig presiding. Members present and voting: Russell F. Hilliard and Robert D. Steele. Also present, Executive Director, Evelyn C. LeBrun.